
Note

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Subject: WRE016 – HCC 2012/0122 – Otterbourne Primary School,
Main Road, Otterbourne, Winchester

Thank you for your consultation on the current planning application at the above site. The application is to supply, deliver and erect one double modular temporary classroom to provide one extra general teaching spaces. The proposal responds to an increase in local pupil demand, and is required to be in place prior to the start of the 2012 academic year.

Otterbourne Primary School is an existing school which provides primary education to around 260 pupils. The school is located within the village of Otterbourne. The school does however attract a number of pupils from outside of the village itself. Because of this, travel to the school is dominated by car trips, with around 70% of pupils travelling to school by car, with the remainder walking.

There are currently 19 full-time employees at the school site, and 14 part-time employees. As a result of the development, which would create 1 new teaching space, it is envisaged that there will be 1 further staff member required at the school. Staff travel to school is heavily dominated by car use, with around 80% staff travelling to work by car.

The proposal to deliver a new temporary modular classroom does not propose any increase in the number of car parking spaces provided on-site. There are currently only 3 car parking spaces on site, including one car parking space provided for disabled users. There is however a free parish car park opposite the school site located off Cranbourne Drive, which is currently used by school staff. There is adequate space available within this car park to accommodate the additional demand that would be generated by an additional staff member. At the time of the site visit, there were some 12 car parking spaces available within this free parish car park which would be sufficient to accommodate any increased demand arising from the expanded school.

The development would be completed within the summer school holiday period and as such would avoid disruption and safety concerns during the construction period.

Recommendation

I raise **no objections** to the current planning application from a highways and transportation perspective.

Should you wish to discuss this matter, please contact me.